

Claims

1. A protective hood having an upper head-covering section, which when the protective hood is worn covers an upper portion of a wearer's head, an anterior head-covering section, which when the protective hood is worn covers an anterior portion of the wearer's head, the anterior head-covering section having a window, through which portions of the wearer's face are exposed when the protective hood is worn, a posterior head-covering section, which when the protective hood is worn covers a posterior portion of the wearer's head, and a lower shoulder-covering section, which when the protective hood is worn covers portions of the wearer's shoulders, wherein the anterior head-covering section is made from comparatively heavier, thermally insulative material, wherein the upper head-covering section is made from comparatively lighter material, and wherein at least the posterior head-covering section is made from comparatively lighter material, whereby to allow heat to pass readily through those sections made from comparatively lighter material.

2. The protective hood of claim 1 wherein the upper head-covering section and at least one of the other sections are made from similar material.

3. The protective hood of claim 1 wherein the upper head-covering section and the posterior head-covering section are made from similar material.

4. The protective hood of claim 1 wherein the upper head-covering section and the lower shoulder-covering section are made from similar material.

5. The protective hood of claim 1 wherein the upper head-covering section, the posterior head-covering section, and the lower shoulder-covering section are made from similar material.

6. The protective hood of claim 1 wherein the upper head-covering section and at least one of the other sections are made from similar mesh or netting material.

5 7. The protective hood of claim 1 wherein the upper head-covering section and the posterior head-covering section are made from similar mesh or netting material.

8. The protective hood of claim 1 wherein the upper head-covering section and the lower shoulder-covering section are made from similar mesh or netting material.

10 9. The protective hood of claim 1 wherein the upper head-covering section, the posterior head-covering section, and the lower shoulder-covering section are made from similar mesh or netting material.